



Explore Wycombe District

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Welcome to Wycombe district

The combination of picturesque villages, lively historic towns and rural scenes make Wycombe district a great place to live, visit and explore. For those looking to escape to the countryside, the beautiful walks and cosy pubs provide an idyllic rural retreat. If you prefer to indulge in the entertainment on offer, you will find ample facilities for a magnificent shopping spree, an evening of theatre and dining and top quality sporting action, as well as a programme of exciting events.

Wycombe district includes three main towns - High Wycombe, Marlow and Princes Risborough - each with their own individual character and charm. Locations across the district have been the setting for many classic films and TV programmes including Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, The Vicar of Dibley and Midsomer Murders to name just a few. This brochure is intended to help you get the most from the Wycombe district. For more inspiration come and visit our information centres.

To request a copy of this guide in a larger print please call +44(0)1494 421892



Information centres

Whether you are visiting for the day, enjoying a short break, thinking of moving to the area or already a resident looking for some inspiration for great days out on your doorstep, then visit or contact one of the district's information centres.

Our friendly and experienced teams are on hand to help you explore Wycombe district and discover all it has to offer.

- Attractions and places to visit
- Accommodation enquiries
- What's on? newsletter
- Local events box office
- Walking and cycling leaflets, books and maps
- Postcards, greeting cards and stamps
- Local travel timetables
- UK destination guides
- Theatre Tokens

You will also discover a range of unique gifts and souvenirs at our Marlow and Princes Risborough Information Centres, including local produce such as Buckinghamshire honey, prints by local artists and seasonal gifts such as calendars and Christmas cards.



High Wycombe Information Centre

High Wycombe Library Foyer, 5 Eden Place
High Wycombe, Bucks, HP11 2DH

Phone: +44(0)1494 421892

Email: tourism_enquiries@wycombe.gov.uk

Opening hours: Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9.30am to 5pm,
Thursday 9.30am to 5.30pm and Saturday 10am to 5pm

Marlow Information Centre

Marlow Library, Institute Road,
Marlow, Bucks, SL7 1BL

Phone: +44(0)1628 483597

Email: marlow_office@wycombe.gov.uk

Opening hours: Tuesday 10am to 5.30pm, Wednesday and
Friday 10am to 5pm, Thursday and Saturday 10am to 4pm

Princes Risborough Information Centre

Princes Risborough Library, Bell Street,
Princes Risborough, Bucks, HP27 0AA

Phone: +44(0)1844 274795

Email: risborough_office@wycombe.gov.uk

Opening hours: Tuesday 10am to 5.30pm,
Wednesday 10am to 1pm, Thursday 10am to 4pm,
Friday 10am to 5pm and Saturday 10am to 1pm

Visit www.wycombe.gov.uk/tourism or
www.visitbuckinghamshire.org

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[@wycombetic](https://twitter.com/wycombetic) [@MarlowInfoCentr](https://twitter.com/MarlowInfoCentr) [@RisborolInfoCent](https://twitter.com/RisborolInfoCent)
and find us on Facebook 

High Wycombe

High Wycombe is a thriving market town providing the ideal setting for those who enjoy a bustling atmosphere, a great retail experience and lively nightlife. The Eden Shopping Centre is one of the region's top shopping destinations and includes an exciting mix of shops and restaurants, plus a bowling alley and cinema. Even with recent modern developments, High Wycombe still retains its historic and cultural charm and traditions.

History

High Wycombe has a long and colourful history. Originally a mill town, it was well known for the manufacture of cloth and linen before becoming internationally renowned for its

most famous industry, furniture making (particularly chairs). Pann Mill, which sits on the edge of The Rye, was restored by the Wycombe Society and can be visited throughout the year on open days.

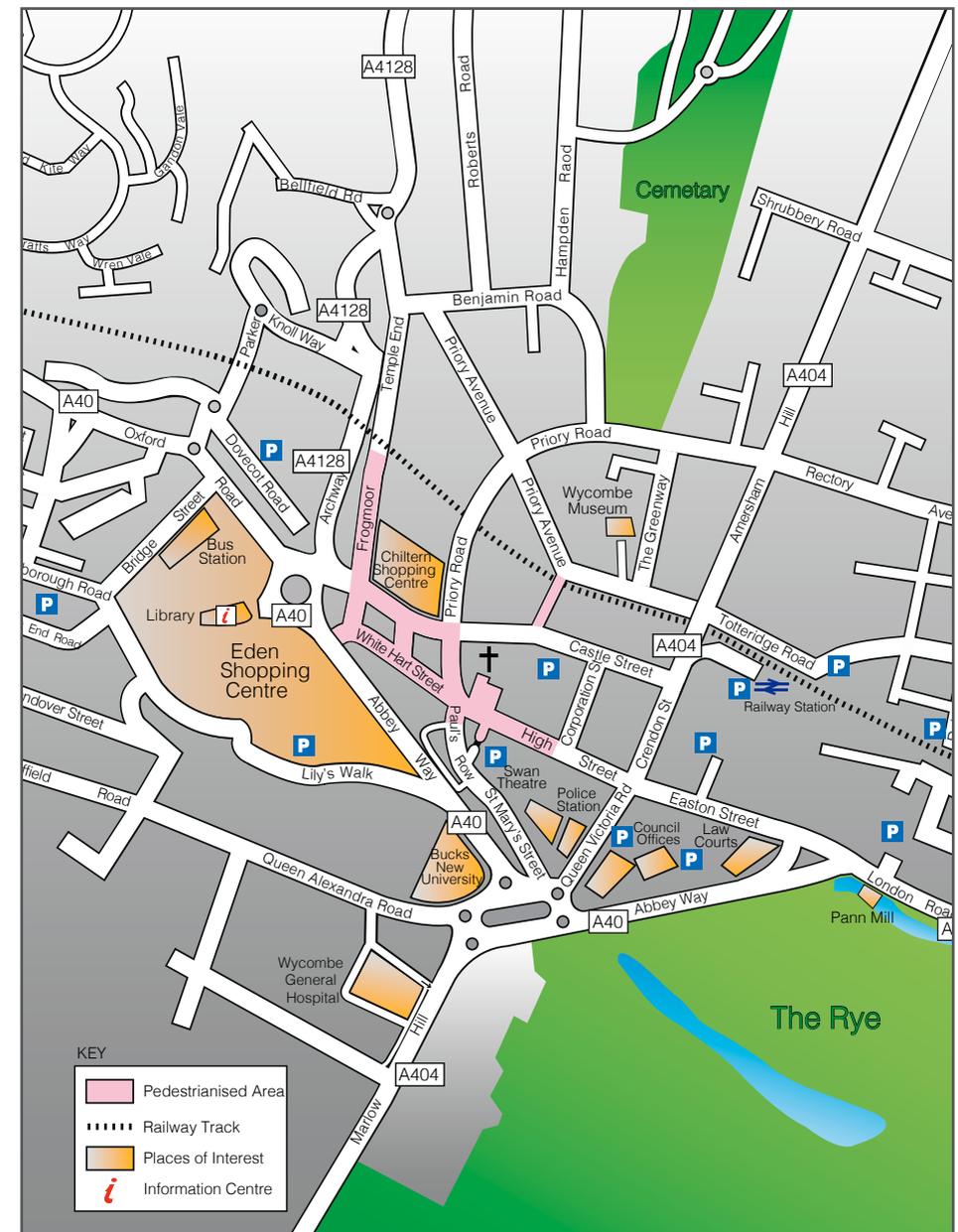
The historic heart of the town is the High Street that features the Guildhall, the Little Market House (also known affectionately as the Pepper Pot) and a short distance away All Saints Parish Church.

Find out more...

To find out more about the history of High Wycombe visit the Wycombe Museum on Priory Avenue or call into High Wycombe library and browse the extensive local studies collection.



High Wycombe town centre map



Marlow

Marlow is without a doubt one of the loveliest locations on the River Thames, set amongst the rich meadows of the river valley and against the woodlands of the Chiltern Hills. The lively town centre is made up of historic streets, interesting shops, restaurants, wine bars and pubs all adding to Marlow's charm. In season, rowing boats can be hired from the pier in Higginson Park or you can simply sit back and relax on a river boat trip.

History

The town's main historic landmark is the suspension bridge which spans the River Thames and joins Buckinghamshire and Berkshire. It was designed by William Tierney

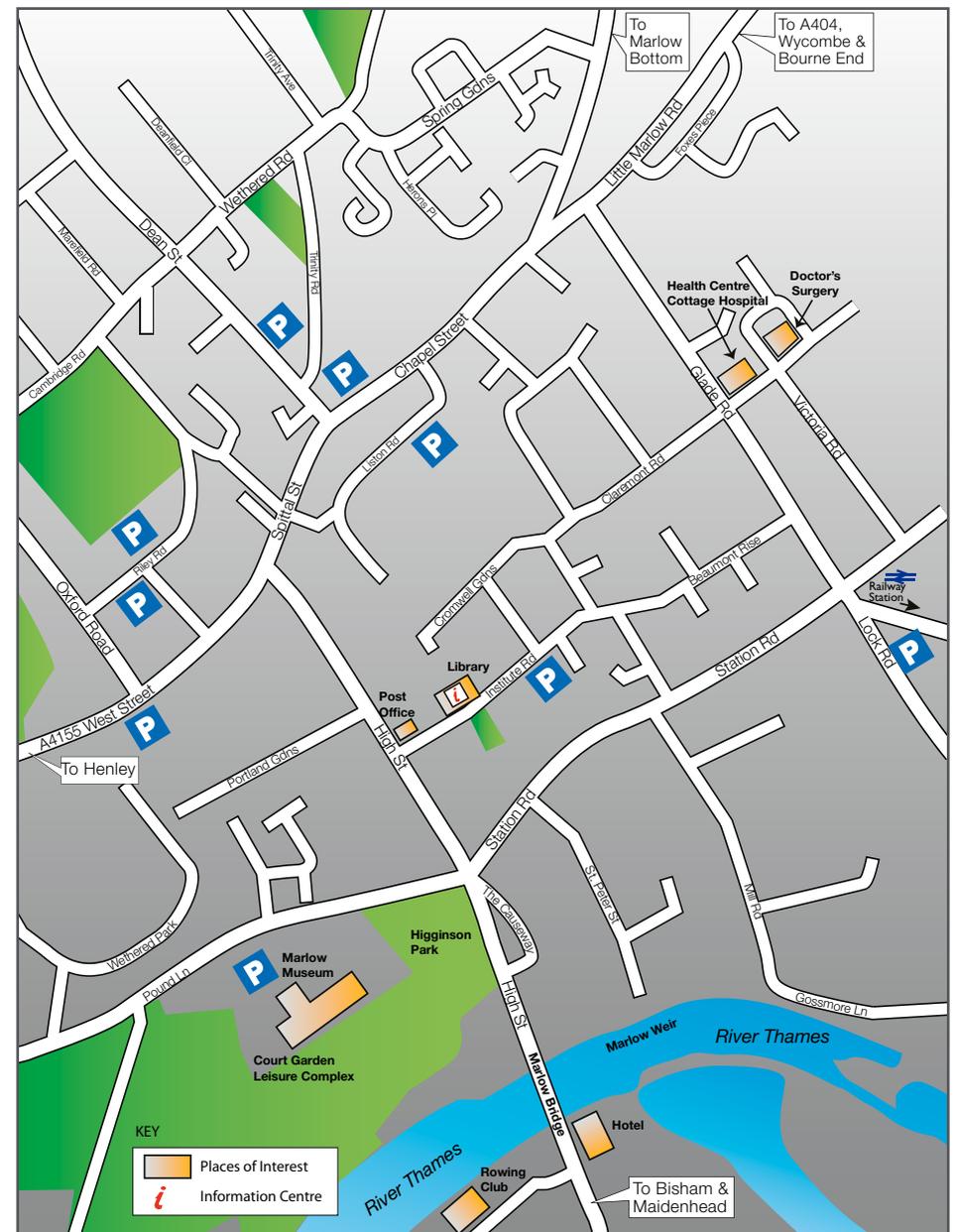
Clark who also designed the bridge across the River Danube at Budapest. In the late 18th and early 19th centuries, Marlow was known for being a fashionable riverside resort and attracted many famous people to the area. Residents of the town included Thomas Love Peacock, Jerome K. Jerome, T.S. Eliot and Mary Shelley who finished her gothic masterpiece Frankenstein while living in Marlow.

Find out more...

A selection of history books are on sale at the Marlow Information Centre where you can also purchase a copy of the Marlow Town Walk.



Marlow town centre map



Princes Risborough

The market town of Princes Risborough lies at the centre of an extensive network of footpaths, providing an excellent base from which to explore the Chiltern Hills. Whether you walk along the ancient Icknield Way (sometimes called “the oldest road in Britain”) or cycle along the Sustrans Phoenix Trail, you won’t have to travel far to discover stunning views, historic hamlets and a variety of visitor attractions.

History

Princes Risborough is an historic market town with a story which stretches back over 5,500 years. The countryside around the town is studded with prehistoric sites including the Icknield Way which travels from East

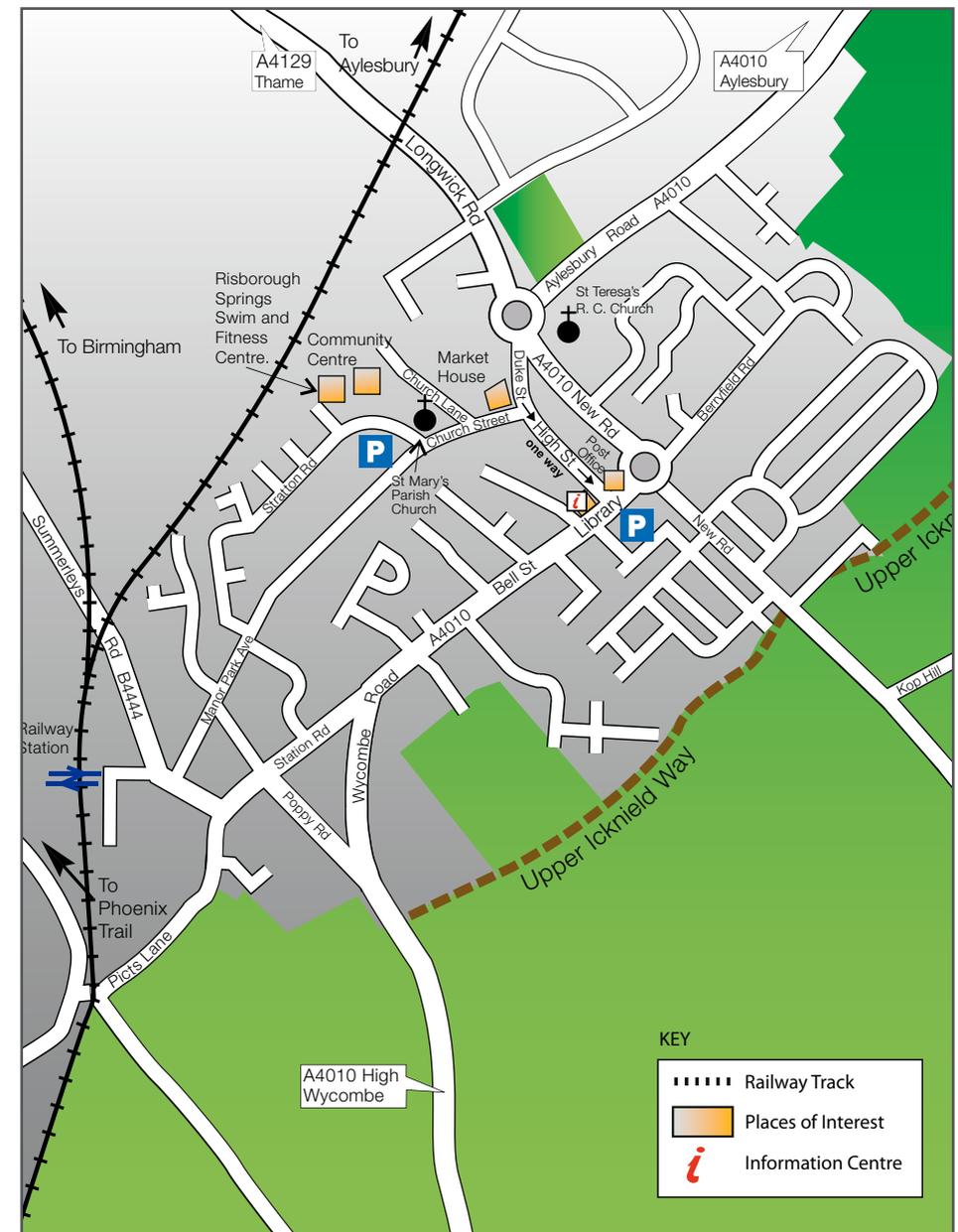
Anglia to Wessex. The name Princes Risborough relates to an important moment in medieval history when in 1343 Edward III appointed his eldest son, Edward the Black Prince, as custodian of the manor of Rysburg (at the time the town was called ‘Great Rysburg’). The new title ‘Princes Rysburg’ was in recognition of its new status before becoming Princes Risborough in the 1600s which is a Saxon reference to the brushcovered hills.

Find out more...

A selection of history books are on sale at the Princes Risborough Information Centre where you can also collect a copy of the Princes Risborough heritage walk.



Princes Risborough town centre map



Events

The Wycombe district hosts a variety of exciting and unique events throughout the year. For monthly updates about what's on in and around the area, contact one of the information centres.

Box office

You can buy tickets for local events in one of the following ways...

- In person by visiting one of the information centres
- Over the phone by calling one of the information centres on the numbers below (£1 fee applies for postal orders)

High Wycombe +44(0)1494 421892

Marlow +44(0)1628 483597

Princes Risborough +44(0)1844 274795

Event diary

April

The annual **Wycombe Arts Festival** takes place over five weeks from April at venues throughout South Buckinghamshire.

The festival hosts a variety of both amateur and professional events including orchestral and jazz concerts, art exhibitions, theatre productions, talks, storytelling and walks.

Visit: www.wycombeartsfestival.org

May

A unique part of High Wycombe's cultural heritage is the curious tradition of 'Weighing the Mayor', which has been taking place since medieval times every year in May. At the beginning and end of the serving year, the mayor is weighed in full view of the public to see if any weight has been gained at the tax payers' expense!

This is a free event for public to view.

Visit: www.mayorofwycombe.com

Frogfest is a one day family celebration of music and culture which takes place in Frogmoor, High Wycombe.

Visit: www.hwbidco.co.uk

June

Marlow Town Regatta and Festival takes place in mid June, at Higginson Park, Marlow. Saturday features competitive rowing races and a traditional classic regatta where visitors to the enclosure can hire pitches and enjoy a picnic. Sunday's festival day is more informal with dragon boat racing, a canoe regatta and family entertainment.

Visit: www.marlowtownregatta.org

Bucks Open Studios is the largest visual arts event in the county.

Over 500 artists and makers, in over 200 different venues across Buckinghamshire, open their studios and run exhibitions and events for the public to visit over two weeks in June.

Visit: www.bucksopenstudios.org.uk

July

Traditionally held during the first full week in July, the **Princes Risborough Annual Town Festival** takes place over eight days beginning with a street parade, children's fun day and 10km road race. This is followed by a range of events including musical entertainment, theatrical performances and history talks. On the final Saturday afternoon the Street Fayre attracts thousands of people to the centre of the town.

Marlow plays host to the 12th century ceremony of **'Swan Upping'**.

Six wooden skiffs, led by the crested flag of the Queen's Swan Maker process along the Thames from Sunbury Lock to Abingdon to mark the swans as property of the Queen.

Visit: www.royal.gov.uk

Mid July sees the arrival of the **Pennfest**. A three day live music festival with camping held at Big Park, Penn Street. Pennfest offers something for everyone with an impressive array of contemporary and established performers, creative workshops, street entertainers and a whole host of food and drink from around the world

Visit: www.pennfest.net

July

The Rye in High Wycombe plays host to **Wycombe Community Festival**. A free outdoor family event that begins with a carnival parade and brings people together to enjoy a variety of entertainment, live music, sports and food.

August

The Bucks County Show is one of the best one day agricultural shows in the country and one of Buckinghamshire's main summer attractions. The Show provides a mixed agenda packed with competitions, displays and breath taking events whilst aiming to demonstrate traditional Buckinghamshire rural and agricultural activities. Advanced tickets are available to purchase at all of the Information Centres.

Visit: www.buckscountyshow.co.uk

September

Kop Hill Climb is now a major event on the historic motorsport calendar which takes place over one weekend. As one of the oldest hill climb venues in the country with races first recorded in 1910 the event was revived in 2009 and today is one of Princes Risborough's biggest family and community events.

Visit: www.kophillclimb.org.uk

December

Both the Marlow and Princes Risborough High Streets hold a **Christmas Market evening** with gift and food and drink stalls, carol singers and lots of other special festive touches. Watch or take part in the **Marlow Santa Fun Run** which takes place in Higginson Park, Marlow.

Visit: www.santasfunrun.org



Local attractions

Museums

Wycombe Museum

Set in beautiful grounds with exciting hands-on activities, Wycombe Museum is a great place to discover the fascinating and varied history of the district and the famous collection of Windsor chairs.

Phone: +44(0)1494 421895

Web: www.wycombe.gov.uk/museum

Opening hours: Monday to Saturday 10am to 4:30pm
Sunday 2pm to 5pm (closed bank holidays)

Marlow Museum

Located just in front of the main entrance of Court Garden Leisure Complex the museum displays various exhibitions on the history of the town.

Phone: +44(0)1628 485474

Web: www.marlowmuseum.wordpress.com

Summer opening: Saturday and Sunday 1pm to 5pm,
Wednesday 2pm to 5pm

Winter opening: Sunday only 2pm to 4pm

Bank holidays: 1pm to 5pm

Roald Dahl Museum and Story Centre

Visit this great little award-winning Museum, situated in the Buckinghamshire village where Roald Dahl lived and wrote for 36 years. The Museum, aimed at 6 to 12 year olds, features three interactive galleries looking at Roald Dahl's life from his school days to his famous writing career. The Solo gallery houses his original Writing Hut.

Phone: +44(0)1494 892192

Web: www.roalddahl.com/museum

Opening hours: Tuesday to Friday 10am to 5pm
Saturday & Sunday 11am to 5pm
Closed on Mondays except bank holiday Mondays and Mondays in Buckinghamshire half-term holidays

National Trust

Hughenden Manor

Set in the Chiltern countryside, just outside High Wycombe town centre this much-loved home of Victorian Prime Minister Benjamin Disraeli also hides a secret wartime history. Visitors can explore the house, gardens, parkland and enjoy refreshments in the Stableyard Café.

Phone: +44(0)1494 755573

Web: www.nationaltrust.org.uk/hughenden

Cliveden

Set high above the River Thames with far reaching views, Cliveden's impressive gardens and majestic woodlands capture the grandeur of a bygone age. The winding paths in the Cliveden Maze make it a challenge for all ages to find the centre. The house is now a luxury hotel but you can take a peek inside by joining a short guided tour on Thursday or Sunday afternoons from April to August.

Phone: +44(0)1628 605069

Web: www.nationaltrust.org.uk/cliveden

West Wycombe Park

West Wycombe Park is one of the most theatrical and Italianate of all English country houses and the Dashwood family home for over 300 years. The property and grounds which have been featured in many popular films and television shows are open to the public from April to August.

Phone: +44(0)1494 755571

Web: www.nationaltrust.org.uk



Fun for all the family

Odds Farm Park

Meet plenty of furry friends in the large undercover Animal Barns, hand feed the goats and sheep, take a ride on a tractor and explore the adventure maze. Children will also love the giant indoor playbarn while the adults can enjoy a cup of coffee at the espresso bar. Open daily from 10am to 5.30pm

Phone: +44(0)1628 520188

Web: www.oddsfarm.co.uk

Hell Fire Caves

Explore the long winding passages which lead deep underground for over half a mile, through the great Banqueting Hall and past chambers where you will find statues of various members of the Hell Fire Club. The courtyard café serves homemade cakes, cream teas, light lunches, drinks and icecreams. Summer opening (April to October): Daily from 11am to 5.30pm Winter opening (November to March): Weekend 11am to dusk

Phone: +44(0)1494 533739

Web: www.hellfirecaves.co.uk

The Horse Trust

The Horse Trust in Speen is the world's oldest horse charity providing retirement and respite for working horses as well as sanctuary for ponies and donkeys. The Black Beauty tea rooms serves a selection of refreshments and cream teas. Open Thursday to Sunday 2pm to 4pm

Phone: +44(0)1494 488464

Web: www.horsetrust.org.uk



Bekonscot Model Village

The world's oldest and original model village and a great day out for everyone. Set in the 1930's discover how England used to be in this miniature world of 200 buildings, 3000 inhabitants, 1000 animals and hundreds of vehicles. Open Spring and Summer from 10am to 5pm

Phone: **+44(0)1494 672919**

Web: **www.bekonscot.co.uk**

Chinnor and Princes Risborough Railway

Operating both steam and diesel hauled passenger services between the station at Chinnor and Princes Risborough on part of the old Great Western Railway branch line. The timetable operates from March to October including special events and a Santa special in December. Visit the website or call the talking timetable for current service information.

Talking timetable: **+44(0)1844 353535**

Web: **www.chinnorrailway.co.uk**

Go Ape-Wendover Woods

The UK's number one Tree Top Adventure! Spend two or three hours in the trees taking on zip wires, tarzan swings, rope ladders and a variety of obstacles and crossings.

Phone: **+44(0)845 0948634**

Web: **www.goape.co.uk**

Chiltern Open Air Museum

A beautiful open air museum with an outstanding collection of historic buildings, working traditional farm, award-winning schools workshops and living history events. Open daily end of March to end of October, 10am to 5pm. You can enjoy a cream tea or a picnic lunch at the museum's newly refurbished Furniture Factory Tea Rooms. Other facilities include a gift shop and adventure playground.

Phone: **+44(0)1494 871117**

Web: **www.coam.org.uk**

Hidden Treasures

Lacey Green Windmill

Lacey Green Windmill is the oldest surviving smock mill in England and stands on the escarpment of the Chiltern Hills near Princes Risborough. Since 1971 it has been restored back to working order by members of The Chiltern Society. Open May to September Sunday and Bank Holidays 2pm to 5pm

Web: **www.laceygreenwindmill.co.uk**

Chenies Manor

From the picturesque village green a private gravel drive leads invitingly up to the Manor House. Immediately outside the gates is the church of St Michael , together with the private Bedford Chapel. The front gates open into the Inner Court, leading to the house and gardens. Guided tours of the house are available as well as delicious home made teas and cakes. Open April to October, Wednesday and Thursdays from 2pm to 5pm and Bank Holiday Mondays 2pm to 5pm.

Phone: **+44(0)1494 762888**

Web: **www.cheniesmanorhouse.co.uk**



Shopping

High Wycombe

The centre of High Wycombe has an excellent range of high street and independent stores, perfect for those looking to treat themselves to a spending spree.

The **Eden Shopping Centre** has an exciting mix of shops, restaurants and cafés with notable outlets including House of Fraser, Marks & Spencer and Next.

Opening hours: Monday to Saturday 9.30am to 6pm and Sunday 11am to 5pm (Thursdays and Christmas open until 8pm)

www.edenshopping.co.uk +44(0)1494 768068

The Chilterns Shopping Centre is home to more popular lowcost stores such as Primark and Wilkinson.

Opening hours: Monday to Saturday 8.30am to 6pm and Sunday 10am to 4pm (store times may vary)

www.chilternsshopping.co.uk.

The town's **market** is held every Tuesday, Friday and Saturday on the High Street where you will find a great variety of products not to mention a vibrant and exciting atmosphere.

Marlow

Marlow town centre has an array of shops including popular designer brands stores, boutiques, antiques, a cycle shop and other independent retailers. Within the charming shopping areas of Liston Court and Anglers Court you will find gift shops, cafés and a florist. There is also no shortage of food outlets with a large Sainsbury's store located on West Street, Waitrose on Chapel Street and Marks & Spencer on Spittal Street.

A local food and craft market is held on the last Saturday of every month in Liston Hall from 9.30am to 1pm.

Princes Risborough

In the centre of Princes Risborough remains the historic Market House between the High Street and Duke Street where there is a varied selection of independent retailers and outlet stores. A short walk from Duke Street is a large Tesco Superstore. More shops can also be found on Bell Street including a beading shop and Marks & Spencer Simply Food.

A street market is held every Thursday, with a larger farmer's market on the third Thursday of every month.



Nightlife and entertainment

High Wycombe

High Wycombe offers a variety of entertainment facilities as well as a range of bars, restaurants and pubs open until late in the evening.

Wycombe Swan Theatre

As one of the leading theatres in the UK, the Wycombe Swan presents a varied programme of performances and events throughout the year including, musical tribute nights, curry and comedy evenings and popular West End shows. The Town Hall and Oak Rooms adjoining the theatre are also used to host festive parties, dance workshops and even weddings.

www.wycombeswan.co.uk

+44(0)1494 512000

Hollywood Bowl - Eden Centre, High Wycombe

www.hollywoodbowl.co.uk

+44(0)844 8263042

Cineworld Cinema - Eden Centre, High Wycombe

www.cineworld.co.uk

+44(0)871 2002000

Empire Cinema - Crest Road, High Wycombe

www.empirecinemas.co.uk

+44(0)871 4714714

High Wycombe is proud to have been awarded the Purple Flag which recognises the town for offering evening visitors an entertaining and safe night out.

More information at

www.wycombe.gov.uk



for a better night out

Marlow

Marlow boasts an excellent choice of dining venues in and around the town centre including a Michelin star restaurant, gastropubs, traditional English pubs, fish and chips and Italian cuisine. In the evening Marlow High Street becomes a vibrant centre with pubs and wine bars open until late and some musical entertainment at the weekend.

The Shelley Theatre in the Court Garden Leisure Complex is used by local amateur dramatic and music groups to host plays and concerts. For information about upcoming performances hosted at the theatre contact the Marlow Information Centre (see page 5).

The Rebellion Brewery and shop in Marlow Bottom is open year round for tours and tasting. Whilst out dining in Marlow you will spot local establishments selling a variety of Marlow's own Rebellion ales.

www.rebellionbeer.co.uk

+44(0)1628 476594

Princes Risborough

Princes Risborough town centre provides a selection of pubs and restaurants plus takeaway outlets including Indian cuisine and fish and chips. The town is surrounded by quaint English villages with cosy traditional English pubs which serve evening meals. Perfect for a night of relaxed dining with family or friends after a day exploring the Chilterns.



Sport and leisure

Wycombe Rye Lido

Wycombe Rye Lido offers two outdoor pools (heated from April to October), a state of the art gym, exercise and cycling studio plus a café and crèche. Open air fitness activities are also available including tennis courts.

www.fusion-lifestyle.com

+44(0)1494 769472

Wycombe Leisure Centre

Facilities include: an eight lane 50 metre pool with moveable floor and sub-aqua dive pit, a 20 metre learner pool with moving floor, Splashpad Zone for toddlers, a 10 metre climbing wall, 150 station gym, 12 court sports hall, four rink bowls hall, two squash courts, dance and spin studios, steam room and sauna, two meeting rooms and a café.

www.placesforpeopleleisure.org

+44(0)1494 688100

Court Garden Leisure Complex-Marlow

Facilities include a 15m swimming pool, 70 station gym, sports hall, squash courts, outdoor tennis courts as well as a café plus theatre, wedding and conference rooms in Court Garden House.

www.placesforpeopleleisure.org

+44(0)1628 405200

Risborough Springs Swim and Fitness Centre

Facilities include a 25m swimming pool, 30 station gym and fitness studio.

www.placesforpeopleleisure.org

+44(0)1844 274200

Wycombe Heights Golf Centre

Buckinghamshire's most popular pay and play golf destination. Home to two beautifully maintained courses, floodlit driving range, short game practice area and a well-stocked golf shop, Wycombe Heights has something for everyone.

www.wycombeheightsgc.co.uk

+44(0)1494 816686

Princes Risborough Golf Club

Situated in the rolling Chiltern Hills Princes Risborough Golf Club offers exceptional golfing facilities, spectacular country views and a friendly club atmosphere. The nine hole golf course with practice ground, nets and practice bunker are open to the public seven days a week.

www.prgc.co.uk

+44(0)1844 346989

Adams Park Stadium

Home stadium to Wycombe Wanderers Football Club. The stadium attracts thousands of supporters to the area eager to catch a top quality football game. For Wycombe Wanderers fixtures and tickets visit:

www.wafc.co.uk or phone +44(0)1494 441118

Watch a game in style at Adams Park and make your day that extra bit special with a match day hospitality experience phone

+44(0)1494 455766

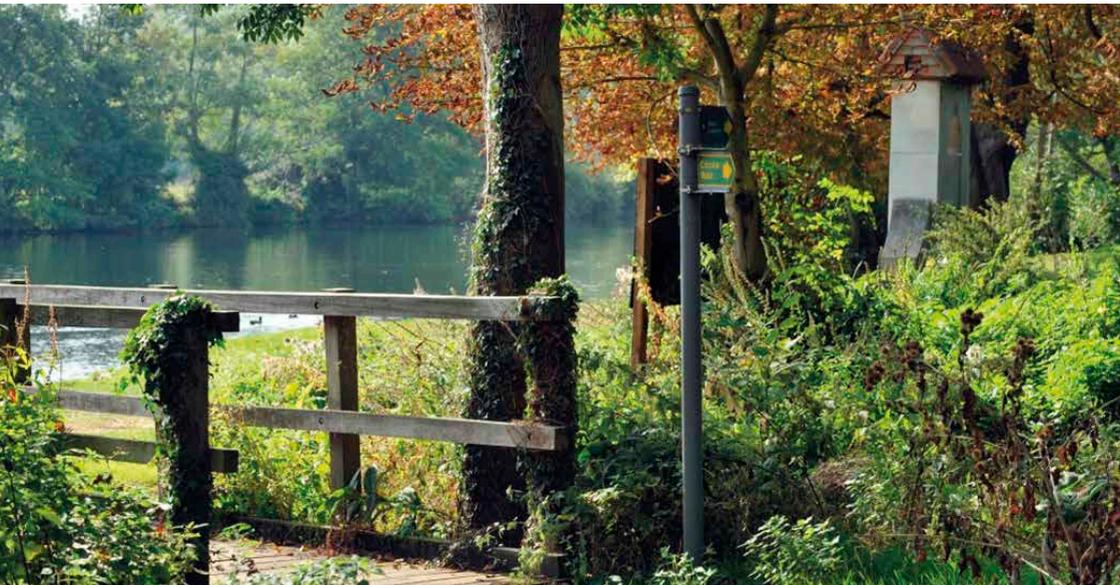


Walking and cycling

Located in the heart of the Chilterns Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and set on a wonderful broad sweep of the River Thames, Wycombe district is a perfect destination for walkers and cyclists. Strolling by the River Thames is one of Marlow's greatest pleasures, by following its banks in either direction you will discover easy level walks with a variety of picturesque views.

Popular Marlow walks

- Marlow to Temple Lock (3 miles return)
- Marlow to Hurley (5.5 miles return)
- Marlow to Henley (8 miles or 16 miles return)
- Marlow to Bourne End (6 miles return)
- Marlow to Windsor (15 miles one way)
- Marlow Circular Walk– combines both the river and woodlands
- Marlow Common– great for the children to explore



Princes Risborough lies at the centre of an extensive network of footpaths and cycle routes making it an ideal base for exploring the Chilterns.

The Ridgeway National Trail

The Ridgeway passes just 1/2 mile from the centre of the town making it easily accessible for visitors staying in the area. Heading South West, Saunderton is a 2.5 mile walk with an extra 2 miles to the railway station. Heading North East, Wendover is 6.5 miles away, with easy access to Coombe Hill for superb views over the Prime Minister's country home, Chequers.

The Phoenix Trail

A five-mile shared-use path for walkers, cyclists and horse riders. The trail follows the disused railway through the countryside between Princes Risborough and Thame with artwork and lovely Chiltern views along the way.

Chiltern Cycleway

Princes Risborough is also a gateway to the 173 miles circular Chiltern Cycleway which takes in an array of highlights from the Chiltern countryside. The Princes Risborough/Henley loop of the cycleway can be covered comfortably by accomplished cyclists in two days.

You will find an extensive range of walking and cycling books, leaflets and maps at the Information Centres.



Parks and open spaces

The Rye

The Rye is situated in High Wycombe town centre, just a short walk from the High Street. The area offers a great range of facilities including two children's playgrounds, football pitches, changing rooms, Wycombe Rye Lido and The Dyke lake where there is a small café hut and rowing boats for hire. Local residents are permitted to fish on The Dyke with a permit (and rod licence) which can be purchased from the High Wycombe Information Centre.



Higginson Park

Set in 23 acres of lawns with stunning flower beds and beside the River Thames. Special features within the park include a statue of Marlow's Olympic rowing hero, Sir Steve Redgrave, a brick in grass maze and Court Garden House. You will also find a large children's play area, skate park and cafes. In season rowing and motor boats are available to hire from the pier and Salters Steamers operate passenger boats to Henley and Windsor or enjoy a 40 minute return cruise to Temple Lock.



Whiteleaf Cross and Brush Hill

The iconic landmark of Whiteleaf Cross cut into the chalk hillside above Princes Risborough and Brush Hill Nature Reserve provide some of the most stunning views across Buckinghamshire. Visitors are free to explore using the public footpaths and discover the array of plant life and wildlife including Red Kites which soar overhead. The area is studded with historic landmarks including practice trenches used during the First World War and a Neolithic burial mound. In season there is no better spot in the district for enjoying a picnic, kite flying and taking in the views.

Hughenden Park

Hughenden Park is situated off the Hughenden Road (A4128) with access to the park from either Hughenden Road or Coates Lane. A small car park is available off of the Hughenden Road. Hughenden Park consists of some 25 hectares of beautiful parkland trees and there are magnificent views across open countryside. It is the largest park in the district. The Hughenden stream runs through the length of the park which also borders Hughenden Manor, owned by the National Trust. The park has a play area and is popular with dog walkers, people having picnics during the summer months and walkers in general.



Villages

West Wycombe

Two miles from High Wycombe town centre is the charming village of West Wycombe. Mainly owned by the National Trust, West Wycombe retains much of its historic charm. The High Street is still lined with buildings dating back to the 16th and 18th centuries including the shops and pubs. West Wycombe Park (open during the summer months), St. Lawrence Church and the infamous Hell Fire Caves are also amongst the biggest attractions within the village.

Lacey Green

Two miles from Princes Risborough, the hilltop parish of Lacey Green and its hamlets of Speen and Loosley Row are the perfect spot for stunning views of the Chilterns and a network of footpaths and bridleways passing through it.

Turville and Hambleden

The villages of Turville and Hambleden are situated six miles from Marlow and have both been used in the filming of popular television shows and films, most famously Midsomer Murders and the Vicar of Dibley. Cobstone Windmill set on the hillside between Turville and Ibstone was also used in the film Chitty Chitty Bang Bang.



Accommodation

Wycombe district is the ideal year-round destination for both active and restful breaks. After a day's shopping or exploring the Chiltern Hills why not stay a while? There is a great selection of accommodation to choose from to suit all tastes and budgets including hotels, bed and breakfasts, guest houses, self catering, hostels and camping and caravan sites. For more information about accommodation in the district contact one of our local information centres.



Visit Buckinghamshire is a useful online resource helping you to discover all that's fantastic about this beautiful county. Buckinghamshire offers visitors a wealth of historic houses, glorious gardens and family friendly attractions as well as magnificent countryside all alongside exceptional accommodation from B&B's to luxury country estates.

www.visitbuckinghamshire.org



Travel and transport

By road

The Wycombe district is easily reached from London, Oxford and the Midlands via the M40 motorway.

By rail

High Wycombe and Princes Risborough railway stations sit on the Chiltern Railway London Marylebone to Birmingham line. Travel from London Marylebone to High Wycombe takes as little as 25 minutes and a further 15 minutes to Princes Risborough. Marlow railway station sits on the First Great Western branch line. Services run every hour between Marlow and Maidenhead before joining the London Paddington to Reading mainline. The journey time to London takes approximately 1 hour and 10 minutes (including the change at Maidenhead).

By bus

The district is extremely well served with regular bus services which can be viewed by visiting www.buckscc.gov.uk/travelinfo There are regular bus and National Express services between High Wycombe bus station and Heathrow, Luton and Stansted Airports. A Park and Ride service is available from High Wycombe Coachway, (junction 4 of the M40 on the A404) to High Wycombe town centre and railway station.

By coach

National Express operates coach services from High Wycombe Coachway to a range of destinations including London Victoria, Birmingham, Heathrow Airport and Glasgow. Details of these services can be found at www.nationalexpress.com

